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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – MA&UD Department - Allegations of irregularities under ILCS Scheme in Ramachandrapuram Municipality – Departmental action initiated against Sri R.Srinivasa Rao, former Town Planning Building Overseer, Ramachandrapuram Municipality, East Godavari District under A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules 1991 – Expired on 09.05.2021 – Further action abated, besides recovery of an amount of Rs.3,96,440/- from the terminal benefits in terms of Rule-9 (7) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.90 **Dated.25.02.2022.**

Read the following:

1. From the C&DMA, A.P., Hyderabad, Lr.No.1204/2000/ILCS-I, dated.14.08.2000.
2. G.O.Rt.No.198, MA&UD (L) Department, dated.14.03.2001.
3. Written Statement of Defence of Sri R.Srinivasa Rao, former TPBO., Ramachandrapuram Municipality, dated.03.05.2001.
4. G.O.Rt No.1188, MA&UD (L) Department, dated.11.09.2012.
5. From Dr. Prem Chand, IAS (retired), Commissioner of Inquiries & Inquiry Officer, D.O.Lr.No.285/COI.P/2012, dated.30.10.2015.
6. Govt.Memo.No.17812/Vig-II/2000, dated.12.02.2016 .
7. Govt. Letter No.17812/Vig-II/2000, dated.24.01.2017 .
8. From the APPSC., Letter No.181/DC&C/2/2017, dated.17.02.2017.
9. Govt.Memo.No.17812/Vig-II/2000, dated.15.03.2017.
10. From the DTCP., A.P., Guntur, Lr.Roc.No.5012/2017/V.Cell, dated.01.01.2018.
11. Govt. Letter No.17812/Vig.I/2000, dated.03.05.2021.
12. From the APPSC., Letter No.254/DC&C/2021, dated.03.06.2021.
13. Govt.Memo.No.17812/Vig-I/2000, dated.21.06.2021.
14. From the Commissioner, Rajamahendravaram Municipal Corporation, Letter Roc.No.4895/2011-G1, dated.13.05.2021.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Hyderabad forwarded the report of District Collector, Kakinada, East Godavari District, wherein it was reported that certain officials of Ramachandrapuram Municipality committed irregularities in constructing latrines under ILCS Scheme and also informed that Sri R.Srinivasa Rao, the then Town Planning Building Overseer had also committed financial irregularities in constructing 107 units of latrines involving an amount of Rs.4,00,180/- while working as Town Planning Building Overseer in the Municipality. The C&DMA., A.P., Hyderabad requested the Govt. to issue necessary orders.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, among others, Government issued articles of charges against Sri R.Srinivasa Rao, the then Town Planning Building Overseer, Ramachandrapuram Municipality in terms of Rule-20 of APCS (CC&A)

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Rules, 1991. Subsequently, on receipt of written statements of defences/served copies of all charged officers, Government appointed Commissioner of Inquiries to inquire into the charges framed against all charged officers including Sri R.Srinivasa Rao, the then Town Planning Building Overseer, Ramachandrapuram Municipality, vide reference 4th read above.

3. In the reference 5th read above, the Commissioner of Inquiries submitted his enquiry report. The COI stated that, among others, all the eight (8) charges framed against Sri R.Srinivasa Rao, the then Town Planning Building Overseer, Ramachandrapuram Municipality are held proved in the enquiry. Govt. after examining the findings of COI and after following due procedure, communicated a copy of enquiry report to the charged officers including Sri R.Srinivasa Rao, the then TPBO for offering their written representations in terms of Rule 21 (2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 vide reference 6th read above.

4. Government after following due procedure, provisionally decided to impose a penalty of withholding of three (3) annual grade increments with cumulative effect, besides recovery of amount of Rs.4,00,180/- against Sri R.Srinivasa Rao, former TPBO., and consulted APPSC for their concurrence in the matter vide reference 7th read above.

5. In the reference 8th read above, the APPSC in their letter, among others, requested to furnish the service particulars of the individual, so as to process the case further and tender its advice. Accrodingly, the CDMA / DTCP were requested to furnish the service particulars of the individuals, including Sri R.Srinivasa Rao vide reference 9th read above. In reply, the DTCP has furnished the copy of service particularts against Sri R.Srinivasa Rao for taking further action in the matter, vide reference 10th read above.

6. After receipt of service particulars against remaining charged officers, among others, Govt. consulted APPSC for their concurrence on the provisional decision of the Department to impose a penalty of withholding of three (3) annual grade increments with cumulative effect, besides recovery of amount of Rs.4,00,180/- against Sri R.Srinivasa Rao, the then TPBO vide reference 11th read above. In the reference 12th read above, the APPSC has requested to furnish complete disciplinary proceddings and check lists in original, for further necessary action.

7. Now, the Commissioner, Rajamahendravaram Municipal Corporation, in his letter reference 14th read above has stated that, Sri R.Srinivasa Rao, Town Planning Building Overseer was expired on 09.05.2021 due to COVID-19.

8. Since, the proposed penalty of withholding of 3 annual grade increments cannot be imposed against Late (Sri) R.Srinivasa Rao, as he expired on 09.05.2021, Govt. after careful examination of the matter and after follwoing due procedure, it has been decided to abate further action against Late (Sri) R.Srinivasa Rao, former Town Planning Building Overseer, Ramachandrapuram Municipality, duly recovering of an amount of Rs.4,00,180/- from his terminal benefits, as he was responsible for loss of said amount to the Municipality, in terms of Rule-9(7) (a) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

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9. Accordingly, Government hereby order to abate further action against Late Sri R.Srinivasa Rao, former Town Planning Building Overseer, Ramachandrapuram Municipality, duly recovering of an amount of Rs.4,00,180/- (Rupees Four lakhs one hundred and eighty only) from his terminal benefits, in terms of Rule 9 (7) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

10. The Director of Town & Country Planning, A.P., Guntur / District Collector, Kakinada, East Godavari District shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

11. The receipt of the G.O., shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Y.SRILAKSHMI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director of Town & Country Planning, A.P., Guntur.
The District Collector, Kakinada, East Godavari District.
The Legal heir of Late (Sri) R.Srinivasa Rao, the then TPBO.,
Ramachandrapuram Municipality – **through** the DTCP., A.P., Guntur.

Copy to:

The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Guntur.
The Secretary to A.P. Vigilance Commission, 5th Block, A.P. Secretariat.
The Secretary, APPSC., A.P., Vijayawada.
The Municipal Commissioner, Ramachandrapuram Municipality,
East Godavari District.
The Principal Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Vijayawada.
SF / SC (E.No.45833).

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER.